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News

[Master's students partner with peacebuilding organizations in the field](#)

In January, seven second-year Keough School Master of Global Affairs students with a concentration in International Peace Studies (IPS) began **six-month field experiences** with partner peacebuilding organizations around the world.



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[New book advocates alternative routes to human security and peace](#)

Over five decades of teaching and research in the field of peace studies, **Robert C. Johansen** became convinced that United States security policy needed to shift away from maximizing U.S. military power and toward emphasizing



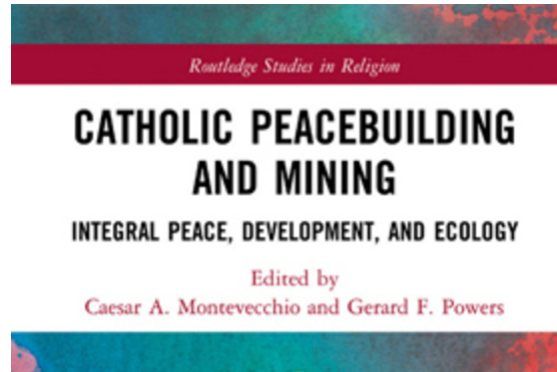
human security for all nations. He explores ways to make this shift in his new book.

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[New book explores the role of Catholic peacebuilders in addressing global mining issues](#)

From cellphones to computers to life-saving medical technologies, the day-to-day lives of people across the globe are intertwined with materials produced by the global mining industry. A new book by the **Catholic Peacebuilding Network (CPN)** makes the case that the Catholic community can make a distinctive contribution by addressing mining issues through the lens of peacebuilding.

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Upcoming Events

[Revising the Mandate for the UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan: Reflections on the Recommendations of the UN Secretary-General](#)

Monday, February 21, 2022
9:00 a.m. EST, Zoom Webinar

This webinar aims to stimulate discussion on a revised mandate for the **UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)**. This is a crucial and difficult issue in light of the fall of the Afghan government in August 2021.

Panelists will include officials from UNAMA, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the



International Crisis Group.

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[Assessing the Ukraine Crisis: Insights from Kroc Institute Alumni in the Region](#)

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

10:00 a.m. EST, Zoom Webinar

As the world's attention remains fixed on Ukraine, hear from **Kroc Institute peace studies alumni** working in and around the region. They will discuss the roots of the current crisis and strategies to find a way forward.

Panelists will include officials from UNAMA, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the International Crisis Group.

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The Kroc Cast Podcast

[Three Kroc Institute Alums on Environmental Peacebuilding](#)

Jen Betz talks with three alumni working at the intersection of the environment and peace studies. Guests include **Raul F. Campusano (M.A. '89)**, Academic Director for the Master's in Environmental Law at the Universidad del Desarrollo in Chile; **Katie Conlon (MA '14)**, National Geographic Explorer leading an expedition and research project on plastic reduction and plastic pollution awareness in the Himalayas; and **Valerie Hickey (M.A. '00)**, Practice Manager for Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy at The World Bank.



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Video Highlight

The Kroc Institute at the Intersection of COVID, Climate, and Conflict

Here from Kroc Institute faculty members **Catherine Bolten**, **Emmanuel Kotongole**, and **Drew Marcantonio (Ph.D. '21)** on current peacebuilding research and practice underway at the Institute.



Media Highlights

David Cortright, Professor Emeritus of the Practice, and **George A. Lopez**, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, wrote the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists* article "[How to mix sanctions and diplomacy to avert disaster in Ukraine](#)"



Mary Ellen O'Connell, Robert and Marion Short Professor of Law and Research Professor of International Dispute Resolution, wrote the *EJIL: Talk!* article "[Russia-Ukraine: Resolving the World's Most Dangerous Conflict](#)."



The **Peace Accords Matrix** was featured in the *CNN* article "[Colombia struck a peace deal with guerrilla groups years ago. So why is violence surging?](#)"



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